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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL SEMINAR: TELECOMMUNICATIONS,
ALGIERS, JUNE -14-18

1. JUNE 16 AND 17 RESERVED AT A SMALL BUT ADEQUATE
CONFERENCE ROOM IN CENTER OF ALGIERS. CLOSE TO HOTEL
AURASSI. NO COST INVOLVED. AURASSI CONFERENCE ROOMS
NOT YET FINISHED.

2. INVITATION BROCHURE RECEIVED FROM PARIS, WITH
SEVERAL ERRORS, AND ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED TO APPROPRIATE
INTERESTED MINISTRIES AND
ORGANIZATIONS, BY PERSONAL
VISIT.

3. PER CROSLEY LETTER MAY 22, WE HAVE DECIDED TO
ARRANGE LUNCHEON AT HOTEL AURASSI JUNE 16. NO
RECEPTION.

4. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS: JUNE 14, EARLY
MORNING ARRIVL ALGIERS, DRIVE TO HOTEL. 11 AM DEPART
FOR TIPASA, LUNCH, VISIT RUINS, RETURN TO HOTEL.
GYCEP PM COCKTAILS AND BRIEFING AT FLACK RESIDENCE.
SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 10 AMN LEAVE FOR VISIT OF GROUND
STATION AT LAKHDARIA. LUNCH THERE AND RETURN LATE
AFTERNOON. LUNCHES ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT
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INDIVIDUAL EXPENSE.

5. SESSIONS WILL BE HELD MONDAY AND TUESDAY MORNINGS PER FLACK-CROSLEY CONVERSATIONS. LUNCHEON AT HOTEL AURASSI 1 PM, MONDAY FOR APPROXIMATELY 25 PERSONS, COST ABOUT 400 DOLLARS. TUESDAY PM RESERVED FOR INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS. COFFEE FOR BREAK CAN BE ARRANGED AT CONFERENCE ROOM AT REASONABLE COST.

6. WE NOTE RESERVATIONS AT HOTEL AURASSI ARE FOR 8 SINGLES PLUS ONE SUITE. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS RECEIVED WITH CROSLEY'S LETTER OF MAY 22 INDICATES THERE WILL BE 11 PARTICIPANTS. PLEASE CABLE EXACT NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS REQUIRED ASAP. HOTEL SITUATION HERE IS CRITICAL.

7: WE WILL NEED INTERPRETING EQUIPMENT FOR SESSIONS. CONFERENCE ROOM DOES NOT HAVE EQUIPMENT.

8. WE HAVE A TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM. ALL SMALL BUSES HAVE BEEN REQUISITIONED BY GOA FOR JUNE 19 CELEBRATION AND ARE UNAVAILABLE FOR PERIOD JUNE 14-18. COST OF 4 RENTED VOLKSWAGEN K70'S WITH CHAUFFEUR WILL BE 62 DOLLARS PER DAY PER CAR FOR TOTAL OF 992 DOLLARS FOR FOUR DAYS JUNE 14-17. ALTERNATIVES WOULD BE 1) CAR RENTALS FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY ONLY, COST 496 DOLLARS, USING TAXIS REMAINING DAYS, 2) CANCEL SATURDAY AND SUNDAY TRAVEL TO TIPASA AND LAKHDARIA. GROUP COULD SIGHTSEE IN ALGIERS USING TAXIS.
EMBASSY MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO AIRPORT JUNE 18, DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF VEHICLES.

9. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP IF WE SHOULD RESERVE CARS. WE ARE OPEN TO OTHER SUGGESTIONS.

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